



April 2006: House Bill 858 was signed into law creating the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Physician Commission to regulate the scope of practice of Idaho certified EMS personnel and to develop requirements for medical directors that serve local EMS agencies statewide. The Commission has a dedicated budget, administrative support from the EMS Bureau of the Division of Health, and independent rulemaking authority. This bill repealed the Board of Medicine's rulemaking authority for Emergency Medical Services effective July 1, 2006.

In August 2006 the EMSPC held its first meeting with representatives from nine EMS stakeholder groups and two citizen representatives. The Commission is in the process of discussing a number of urgent emergency medical services issues such as the Idaho Standards Manual and scope of practice.